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A WOMAN'S WORRIES

The lives of most women are full of worry. Men's troubles are bad enough, but women's are worse. Worry makes women sick. It pulls them down, and in their weakened condition they are subject to pains, aches, weaknesses.

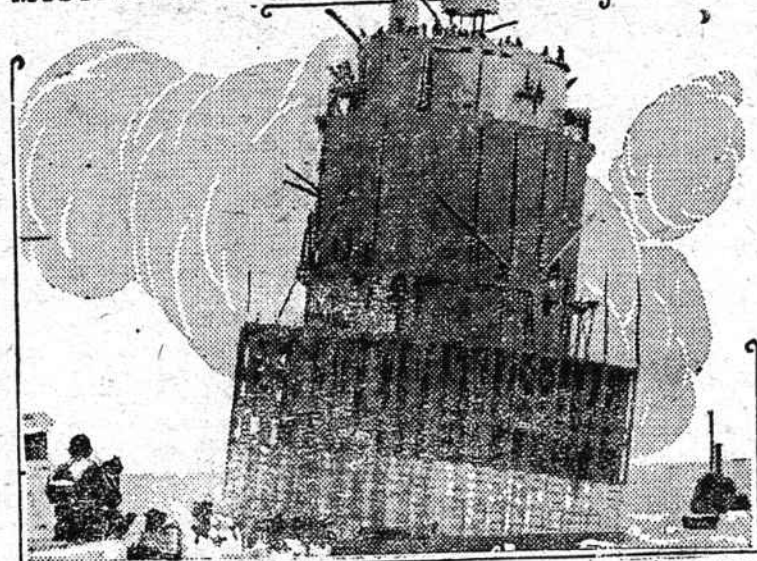


ROANOKE, VA.—"Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription" is an excellent medicine to give young girls who suffer with irregularities. One of my daughters has been very delicate for some time, suffered with functional disturbances, and every winter would become weak and nervous. I would have to have the doctor for her. She would be weak and nervous. I worried about her condition a great deal. At the beginning of last winter a friend advised her taking 'Favorite Prescription' and it has done her a world of good. She has become regular and is in better health than ever before. I would advise mothers not to let their girls suffer, but to give them Doctor Pierce's Favorite Prescription."—Mrs. SARAH E. HAYNES, 1514 Third Avenue, N. W.

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MYSTERY SHIPS ARE GIVEN PEACE-TIME DUTY



Two years ago, in June, 1918, two giant ships or towers were begun by the British in their war against the Huns. Their purpose was never divulged; all workmen connected in any way with the construction were sworn to absolute secrecy. Today these giant ships are being sunk off the coast of England to take the place of ships which heretofore have patrolled the coast.

Public Benefactor Dead.

The inventor of the ice-cream soda—Robert McCay Green—recently died in Philadelphia. While exhibiting at the Franklin Institute exposition in Philadelphia two years before the centennial, Mr. Green, to get ahead of a competitor, conceived the idea of mixing the ice cream with the soda, and before the close of the exposition his receipts were more than \$200 a day.

Fresh Eggs.

The proprietor of a grocery in East Twenty-fifth street, is nothing but good at repartee. The other day, rather early in the forenoon, one of the good wives in the neighborhood stepped into the store and inquired: "Any real fresh eggs?" (Great emphasis on the "real fresh.") "Oh, yes, un'ann," he replied. "Some just laid this morning." A day or two later, somewhat earlier in the forenoon than before, the good wife again dropped into the store and inquired: "Any more of those real fresh eggs?" Whereupon the grocer cried to his clerk: "Run to the back room, boy, and see if this morning's eggs are cool enough yet to sell."—Indianapolis News.

Famous London Tree Gone.
 A famous old mulberry tree in north London, England, under which 144 years ago it is said the American Declaration of Independence was first read in that country, has fallen under the weight of its age. American boys scouts attending the International scout conference in London visited the tree only a few days before it crashed and its history was told to 300 of them, who had their photographs taken beneath its branches. The tree stood on one of the lawns of the Middlemarch conference hall. Many religious leaders have addressed meetings under its ample shade. Hundreds of requests for chips from the historical tree are being received.

No Great Harm Done.

Juanita, knowing that her playmate Jack wanted a kitten, picked one up one day when it started to follow her and, taking it over to Jack, sold it to him for five pennies. "Juanita," said her mother, on finding out what she had done, "don't you know you have no right to sell or even give away a kitty that isn't your own?" "Well," said the young business woman, "I guess it can go home when it gets ready, can't it?"

Immersion Heater.
 An exceedingly practical contrivance for a mother is an electrical immersion heater, cylinder shaped. This will heat water or milk for the baby or invalid in a moment at any time, day or night. This cylinder is simply plunged into the liquid and the plug attached. It takes only a moment to make the liquid boiling hot.

THE AMERICAN RED CROSS IN PEACE TIME



Boys and girls who learn early to take proper care of their teeth, throats, eyes, ears and stomachs, have made a long step toward healthy manhood and womanhood. Through the public health and nursing services, the American Red Cross aims eventually to reach all school children with teachings regarding disease prevention and health promotion. Here's a school nurse training a little girl for some month, at the same time implanting a valuable lesson in teeth-brushing and proper diet.

FRANCE'S SURPLUS OF GIRLS

Overwhelming Preponderance of Babies Born to Wives of War Veterans Are of Female Sex.

French physicians see in the nervous reaction following the trials and perils of war the explanation of the epidemic of girl babies which has swept France in the last year. They base their conclusion on the remarkable fact that, while over 80 per cent of the children recently born to men who served under fire are girls, 60 per cent of the babies of war profiteers, slackers and men physically unfit for combatant service have been boys.

Sociologists looking into the future predict that if the present disproportional feminine birthrate continues over half of the girls born in France in 1919 and 1920 will be doomed to spinsterhood. The proportion of young and middle-aged married men in France who saw no service on the front is so small that the boy babies born in their families are outnumbered more than two to one by the infant daughters of the war veterans. While at a loss to explain the workings of the mysterious influence predetermining the sex of the children born to ex-soldiers, French physicians agree that the relaxation of men's nerves, suddenly relieved from the high tension of constant perils and hardships, is at the bottom of the puzzling question. So long as the war continued and men remained keyed to a high nervous pitch their children were more often boys than girls. Sixty-five per cent of soldiers' babies born during the war were boys. Now that the hectic days of shot and shell are over the pendulum of gravity has swung to the other extreme, and the pages of France's birth registers are filled largely with names of new-born girl babies.—Amaroo-News.

HELP TO FILL FAMILY PURSE

In City of Johnstown, N. Y., Three-quarters of the Wives Are in Gainful Occupations.

In a survey of family incomes in nearly one hundred cities of the United States, the department of labor found that in Johnstown, N. Y., three-quarters of the wives earn money. The Labor Review explains that this remarkable condition prevails in Johnstown because glove-making is the principal industry there and furnishes work which women can do at home. This appeals to them, because they are able to earn good wages without leaving their households. In almost one-sixth of the New York city homes visited women contributed earnings toward the support of the home. In Boston, one wife out of ten works; in Buffalo, one in twenty-eight; in Cleveland and Cincinnati one in seven, and in Pittsburgh only one in fifty. It is interesting to note that investigators found that a surprisingly large percentage of town dwellers derive some income from gardens and poultry. Ninety-three per cent of those visited in Cleveland had a garden or chickens.

FOR SALE

Under authority of court decree I am offering for sale privately the following portions of the W. T. Alexander farm lying about a mile and a half south of McDowell in Highland county on both sides of the Bull Pasture River; First—526.70 acres on the east side of the river extending to the top of the mountain, and comprising a most valuable grazing tract. Second—90.4 acres of bottom land lying on the west side of the river, being excellent farmland. For further information apply to the undersigned at his office 9-11 Masonic Building, Staunton, Virginia.

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HAVANA A BABEL OF SOUND

New Yorker Alleges That Metropolis Is Silent in Comparison With the Cuban City.

Havana may not hold the noise championship of the world, but at least little old New York is silent by comparison. Unmuffled motors beyond computation, tram cars that seem far more interested in producing clamor than speed, bellowing vendors of everything vendible, are but the background of an unbroken uproar that permeates every nook and cranny of the city. Honest hotel keepers tell you frankly that they can offer every comfort except quiet. Even in church you hear the tumult outside, broken at rare intervals by the voice of the preacher. It is not simply the day-time uproar of business hours, it increases steadily from nightfall until dawn. In olden days the sereno, with his dark lantern, his pike, pistol, bunch of keys, whistle and rappa, wandered through the streets calling out the time and the state of weather every half hour. His efforts would be wasted nowadays.

The long-seasoned inhabitants seem to have grown callous to the constant turbulence. I have yet to meet a newcomer who confesses to an unbroken hour of sleep. If you move out to one of the pensions of Vedado, the household itself will keep you constantly reminded that you are still in Havana. The Cubans seem to thrive on noise. If they are so unfortunate as to be denied their beloved din, they lose no time in producing another from their own throats. After a week in Havana we took ferry across the harbor and strolled along the plain behind Cabana fortress. For some time we were aware of an indefinable sensation of strangeness, amounting almost to discomfort. We had covered a mile or more before we suddenly discovered that it was due to the unaccustomed silence.—Century Magazine.

DISHES NOT ALL SHE'D DO

School Teacher Made Her Position Quite Plain to the Man of Her Choice.

She is a schoolteacher, who is anxious to marry, and he is a bashful restaurant owner. For three years she has dined at his restaurant and at some time during every meal he has come to her table to talk to her. But he never suggested any sort of engagement. Yet from the expression in his eyes and his general demeanor she has long been sure that he cares for her. "All he needs is just a little help," her best friend told her the other day.

A few days afterward when she was in the restaurant he came to her table as usual. "I see you'll soon be out of a job," he laughed, and added: "Since your school is going to close Friday you might answer that," and he pointed to a sign on his wall reading "Dishwasher wanted." "Would you wash dishes for me?" he continued.

Back came the reply: "Yes, and cook and sweep and keep house in every way."

He took the hint. Also she is going to quit teaching for all time.—Indianapolis News.

Check on the Milkman.

With the aid of an apparatus recently devised by Julius Horvet of the Minneapolis dairy and food commission, it is going to be possible within the space of a very few minutes to state just how long the wily dealer in trick milk has worked the pump handle, or allowed the product of the dairy to remain unprotected in the April showers.

The cryoscope, as the new apparatus is called, works on the basis of the difference in freezing point between water and milk; and it will determine infallibly whether the consumer is receiving pure milk or watered milk, or pure water to which a little milk has been added.—James Anderson, in Scientific American.

"HOBBO KING" VISITS WHITE HOUSE



Jeff Davis, president of the "hoboes of America" visits President Wilson to pledge the hobo vote to Cox. He is returning to his Cincinnati home where he has a wife and two children awaiting the end of his lengthy tour by "RAIL" of over 710,000 miles.

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SPOON IN FAVOR WITH TURKS

Subjects of the Sultan Have Little Use for the Fork as a Table Utensil.

According to figures compiled by the American Cutlery bureau of information, the average yearly requirements of Constantinople before the war in the way of cutlery were 50,000 dozens of table knives, 30,000 dozens of spoons, 20,000 dozens of forks, 50,000 dozens of scissors, 25,000 dozens of razors of all kinds and 5,000 dozens of hair clippers.

As will be seen, much more spoons are sold than forks, which is contrary to the experience in other countries where, as a rule, more forks are required than spoons. This is explained by the fact that Constantinople supplies great quantities of cutlery to Asia Minor and other outlying regions of the former Turkish empire, where table manners still have not been developed up to the standard of Paris.

The Arab is fond of the spoon, because it is handy in eating his cereals, but he prefers to deal with chopsticks by way of the fingers, which is a more simple procedure than piercing one's eye with a fork.

So it is the spoon that stands on the top of the list of the cutlery orders coming from Turkey to Uncle Sam. It is conceded in all foreign countries today that American table cutlery holds the center of the stage in point of quality.

PUT HUBBY IN BAD LIGHT

Matter of Mistaken Identity Promised to Make Things Warm for Entirely Innocent Man.

A certain resident of Indianapolis, who is one of twins, in company with his wife and son, visited his twin brother, who lives in the northern part of the city. The family was returning home and had just reached Washington and Illinois streets when the wife saw the car, to which they were to transfer, rounding the corner. "Oh, here comes our car," she said, and regardless of the conductor's familiar warning, "Wait till the car stops, lady," she jumped off backward, alighting with considerable force on the pavement. Refusing to give the car crew her name and address the family hurried home.

The next morning an auto stopped in front of the brother's home and an inspector, motorman, conductor and a policeman who had witnessed the mishap of the night before knocked on the door and asked the condition of the woman who had fallen. The brother's wife volunteered the information that no one there had fallen from a car. After an argument one of the car crew remarked, "Well, if some woman living here didn't fall off my car, then her husband was out with someone who did."—Indianapolis News.

Mongoose in Trinidad.

The mongoose was originally introduced into Trinidad from St. Lucia for the purpose of ridding the island of both rats and snakes, but at the present time it is itself considered a very serious pest. Moreover the sugar production of Trinidad has diminished somewhat during the last few years, chiefly because of the ravages of frog-hoppers, since the lizards, which formerly kept them in check, are being exterminated by the mongoose. In fact, many estate owners in Trinidad pay a shilling a head for every mongoose destroyed on their estates, and many thousands are destroyed every year without any attempt being made to save the skins. Consul Baker, therefore, suggests that possibly these mongoose skins might have considerable economic utility in the United States, and has forwarded a sample of such a skin to the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce, where it may be examined by interested persons.

His Narrow Escape.

Clarence and his nurse were promenading along the veranda at the summer resort hotel. A woman stopped them to speak to the pretty child, and on hearing how he had accidentally rolled down the hotel steps, was profuse in sympathetic exclamations. "O, dear! O, what a narrow escape!" etc. Clarence enjoyed her admiring sympathy so much that he added another flight of steps to the tumble when he related the episode to the next woman. By the time he reached the end of the veranda he had improved his story by rolling from the top floor of the hotel clear down to the steps outside the veranda, finishing off with: "And I came near cracking my skull, too."

More Mediocrity.

"I used to think I possessed the artistic temperament—the sacred fire; but I was mistaken. I'm just one among the millions of common people."

"You have no right to say that! You have done some splendid things—things that you could not possibly have done if you had merely been one among the millions of common people."

"No, you're mistaken. I'm just an ordinary every-day man. Why, my wife has lived with me for 11 years without ever once thinking of getting a divorce."

Scientific Research.

"Why are you studying these snails so intently?"
 "Scientific research."
 "Huh?"
 "I didn't think there could be anything slower than the horse I bet or yesterday."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

TRACE JAZZ MUSIC TO CHINA

Book of Ceremonies of That Country Deals With Musical Criticism to the Point.

The hunt for the origin of jazz has led to the African jungle and to the music of cannibal feasts and orgiastic dances. But, further back it can be traced to the beginnings of civilization in China itself. Confucius, who lived nearly 2,500 years ago, edited a book of ceremonies called the "Li Ki." The book of ceremonies was a venerable Chinese classic long before Confucius gave his attention to it. The sayings in the "Li Ki" represent a viewpoint of musical criticism in China which perhaps corresponds, to the date assigned by the Jewish chronology for the Garden of Eden. The "Li Ki" describes music as a powerful influence for good or evil, and pictures the prehistoric synecdoche as follows:

"The airs of Kang go to wild excess and delude the mind; those of Sung speak of slothful indulgences and of women and submerge the mind; those of Wei are strenuous and fast and perplex the mind; and those of Kili are violent and depraved and make the mind arrogant. The airs of these four states all stimulate libidinous desire and are injurious to virtue."

If not jazz, what else falls in with the description? Kang, Sung, Wei and Kili—all their scores have been lost. Only the monotonous drum beat which they doubtless contributed to prehistoric jazz remains in modern Chinese music.—Toledo News-Bee.

THE LANGUAGE OF FLOWERS

It Dates Back to the Time of the Ancient Romans, and Probably Is Much Older.

It was a custom of the Romans to paint a rose on the ceiling of the banquet hall, signifying that what was told at the feast was not to be repeated. From this custom originated the expression, sub rosa, the Detroit News recalls.

The rose is the queen of love and beauty and is the most eloquent of all in the language of the flowers. The red rose is a token of love and the white of purity. A moss rosebud is a confession of love, while a rose leaf says, "You may hope." A white rose signifies, "I am worthy of you," and the yellow rose asks, "Are you jealous?"

The yellow buttercup is dedicated to the memories of childhood and to riches. The Greeks and Romans used one variety of buttercup as a remedy for leprosy. It was also said that the root was a sure cure for insanity if it was gathered at the wane of the moon, wrapped in linen and carried around the neck of the afflicted person.

Pained and Surprised.

At the time it was more painful than funny, but the years leave only a recollection of my intense surprise when I hit into what I thought was a bright red apple.

Always I had loved apples, and one day when I saw a dish of bright red objects in the pantry, I took a couple of the largest, and silently left the house—with what happy anticipation.

Safe in the back yard I proceeded to take a large bite of a red pepper. Such shrill screams of agony as reached my mother's ears. She rushed to the rescue to find me, not content with having filled my mouth with the fiery pepper, rubbing frantically at my face and eyes.

Not knowing that oil and not water should be used to remove the burning sensation, she dumped me into the bathtub, and started to scold. It was many a week before I again appropriated what did not belong to me.—Exchange.

Electric Hatching of Chicks.

A third of a million chickens a season is the proposed capacity which a customer of the Electric Power company of Portland, Ore., intends to attain in his electrically operated chicken farm known as "Tenacres." His output this season will be in the neighborhood of 100,000 chickens, as compared with 45,000 for last year. This farm started with one small electric incubator in 1915 and now is equipped to operate on a large scale, having a single incubator with a capacity of 20,000 eggs. The total connected load for this plant consists of 33.5 kilowatts of heating and 3 kilowatts of lighting. For emergency service, continues the Electrical Review, a 20-kilowatt direct current generator is installed at the farm and is so arranged that it may be driven from the owner's truck.

Magic Carpet Up to Date.

A plan for seeing strange sights comes from France, in the announcement of the Compagnie Latecoere. This aerial line will take you from Toulouse, at 8:30 a. m., over the Pyrenees to Barcelona, Spain, by lunch time. Next day you lunch at Malaga, then fly across the Mediterranean to Tangiers. Then you sail above the Atlas mountains to far-away Rabat, a green oasis of the Sahara, or even to Fez, where it is said the company has opened the grand vizier's palace as a hotel. These are indeed the days of "magic carpet" and the seven-league boots to those who fear not adventure in the air.—The Outlook.

Wanted His Money's Worth.

Mother—Helen's music teacher seems quite-impressed with her. It looks to me like a love affair.
 Father—What's that? Now see here, I'll have that young man understand he's got to do his courting evenings and not while I'm paying him \$2 an hour.

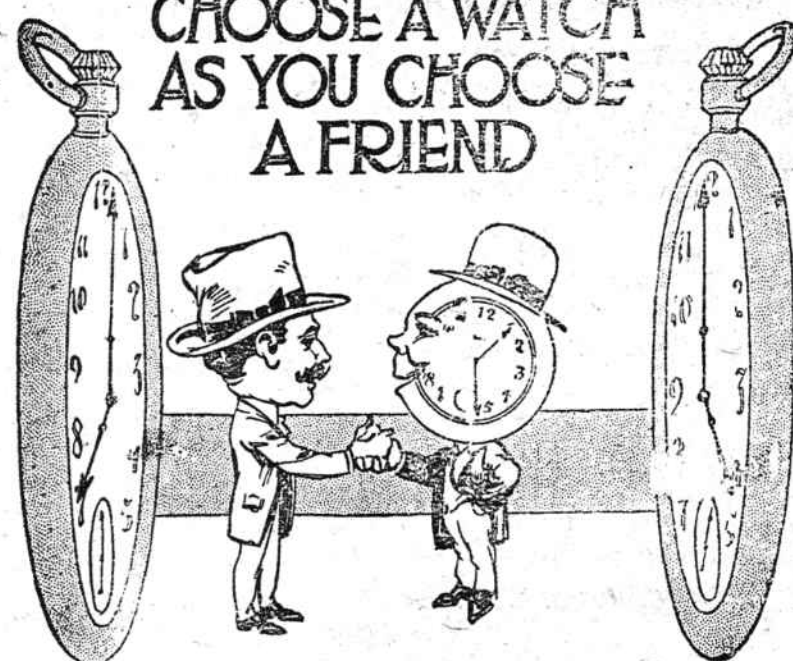
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